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SUBJECT: UNESCO COMMITTEE OF GOVERNMENTAL EXPERTS ON

HISTORIC SITES, WARSAW, FEBRUARY 9-18, 1976

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1. DEPUTY PERMREP WARVARIV MET TODAY SEPARATELY WITH HIS FRG COUNTERPART, HANS ZIEGLER, AND NETHERLANDS PERMREP, DE GORTER, TO EXCHANGE INFORMATION AND DISCUSS STATUS PREPARATIONS FOR SUBJECT MEETING.

2. ZIEGLER INFORMED THAT FRG WILL BE REPRESENTED AT

MEETING BY ONE EXPERT FROM BONN (DIDNT KNOW HIS NAME) AND TWO POLITICAL OFFICERS FROM THEIR EMBASSY IN WARSAW, MR. PLATZ AND MRS. RAHEKER. ZIEGLER ALSO SAID THAT POLITICAL COMMITTEE OF THE EC9 MET YESTERDAY AND DECIDED ON COMMON STRATEGY FOR SUBJECT MEETING, I.E. MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO INSURE THAT THE CONFERENCE CONFINED TO STRICTLY SUBSTANTIVE MATTERS AND TO AVOID ANY DIVISIVE POLITICAL QUESTIONS. HOWEVER, THE COMMITTEE DID NOT ADOPT ANY FIXED POSITION AS TO HOW TO REACT TO POLITICAL PROBLEMS, SHOULD SUCH ARISE, BUT

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AGREED ON THE NEED FOR FLEXIBILITY, DEPENDING ON THE

MANNER HOW SUCH QUESTIONS INTRODUCED AND DEGREE OF DAMAGE.

3. DE GORTER CONFIRMED ABOVE RESULT OF EC9 POLITICAL COMMITTEE MEETING, BUT ADDED THAT "FLEXIBILITY DOES NOT MEAN LACK OF STRONG BACKBONE" SHOULD SOME REAL DIFFICULTY ARISE. DE GORTER ALSO INFORMED WARVARIV THAT DUTCH DELEGATION WILL BE COMPOSED OF MR. YPERLAAN (CHAIRMAN), DIVISION OF MUSEUM,

MONUMENTS AND ARCHIVES, MINISTRY OF CULTURE; MR. GENRTES, DIVISION OF LEGAL AFFAIRS, MINISTRY OF CULTURE; MR. HEIDSMA, DEPARTMENT OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, AND MR. QUANGER, EMBASSY WARSAW.

4. SINCE LUXEMBOURG (CURRENT CHAIRMAN OF UNESCO EC9 GROUP) WILL NOT ATTEND SUBJECT MEETING, THE DUTCH DELEGATION (MORE SPECIFICALLY MR. HEIDSMA) HAS BEEN DESIGNATED TO SERVE AS SPOKESMAN AND COORDINATOR OF EC9 POSITION AT WARSAW MEETING.

5. WARVARIV SUGGESTED AND BOTH ZIEGLER AND DE GORTER AGREED TO CONVEY TO THEIR RESPECTIVE DELEGATIONS THE NEED FOR INFORMAL JOINT CONSULTATIONS PRIOR TO OPENING OF CONFERENCE, I.E. ON SUNDAY EVENING AT FORUM HOTEL.

6. DEPARTMENT'S COMMENTS AND GUIDANCE WOULD BE VERY MUCH APPRECIATED.  
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